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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, UNGA

SUBJECT: UNSSOD: REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS ISSUE IN
PROGRAM OF ACTION

REF: STATE 156720

1. THERE HAS NOT BEEN AN APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY FOR
US DEL TO PUT FORWARD LANGUAGE ON MER ALONG LINES OF
SWEDISH LANGUAGE WHICH WAS WITHDRAWN. THE TACTICAL
SITUATION ON WHICH REFTTEL WAS BASED HAS CHANGED AND IN
JUDGMENT OF US DEL IT NO LONGER WOULD BE USEFUL TO TAKE
SUCH AN APPROACH. THE QUESTION NOW IS WHETHER ALL
LANGUAGE UNDER THIS HEADING SHOULD BE DELETED OR WHETHER
IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO WORK OUT COMPROMISE LANGUAGE
WHICH KEEPS THE ISSUE ALIVE. IN CONSULTATIONS WITH
SELECTED ALLIES (CANADA, NETHERLANDS, UK, FRG,
AUSTRALIA) THE FOLLOWING TEXT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN
RESPONSE TO A SOVIET DRAFT WHICH WAS UNACCEPTABLE.

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BEGIN TEXT: GRADUAL REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS ON A
MUTUALLY AGREED BASIS OF BUDGETARY COMPARIBILITY, FOR
EXAMPLE REDUCTIONS IN ABSOLUTE FIGURES OR IN TERMS OF
PERCENTAGE POINTS, PARTICULARLY BY NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES
AND OTHER MILITARILY SIGNIFICANT STATES WOULD BE A
MEASURE THAT WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE CURBING OF THE ARMS
RACE. THE BASIS FOR IMPLEMENTING THIS MEASURE WILL HAVE

TO BE AGREED BY ALL PARTICIPATING STATES AND WILL REQUIRE
WAYS AND MEANS OF ITS IMPLEMENTATION ACCEPTABLE TO ALL OF
THEM.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD CONSIDER WHAT CONCRETE STEPS
SHOULD BE TAKEN TO FACILITATE THE REDUCTION OF MILITARY
BUDGETS BEARING IN MIND THE RELEVANT PROPOSALS AND
DOCUMENTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON THIS QUESTION.
END TEXT.

2. FRG (RUTH) HAS INDICATED THAT TEXT MUST MAKE REFERENCE
TO "BUDGETARY COMPARIBILITY" OR "STANDARDIZED REPORTING"
IN ORDER FOR FRG TO ACCEPT IT. US DEL IS TAKING A
SIMILAR POSITION. IT IS NOT YET CLEAR THAT SOVIETS
WILL ACCEPT FOREGOING TEXT. US DEL WILL REPORT FURTHER
DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS ISSUE. LEONARD

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